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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) Docket Number 201196/50 (80242/US)

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In re Application of Vladka Curin-Serbec  
Application Number 09/576,724 Filed May 23, 2000  
For **ANTIBODIES CAPABLE TO SELECTIVELY DETECT PRION PrP<sup>Sc</sup> ISOFORMS**  
Group Art Unit 1648 Examiner U. Winkler

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

- ☒ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) - (\$55/\$110) \$ 110
- ☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) - (\$210/\$420) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) - (\$475/\$950) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) - (\$740/\$1480) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) - (\$1005/\$2010) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
- ☒ A check to cover the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☐ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 14-1138.  
I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

- I am the ☐ applicant/inventor
- ☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
  - ☒ attorney or agent of record.
  - ☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).  
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) \_\_\_\_\_

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